Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Counselor Awareness Month will be celebrated during April 2005, and the intent is to recognize the significant contributions professional counselors have made to the development and mental health of citizens in our communities; and,

Whereas, These professional counselors – working in schools; mental health, career, and rehabilitation centers; hospitals; correctional institutions; private practice; government agencies; and the armed forces -- empower people to make positive decisions about their lives; and,

Whereas, The South Dakota Counseling Association, a branch of the American Counseling Association, promotes public confidence and trust in the counseling profession by serving its members, the professional counselors in our communities, with leadership training and continuing education; and,

Whereas, These dedicated, professional counselors, who help guide people of all ages and from all walks of life through personal, social, educational, and career transitions on the journey to reach their goals and aspirations, will be recognized in the month of April:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 2005, as

COUNSELING AWARENESS MONTH

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-ninth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State